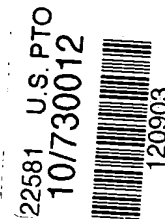




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Enclosed are:

- [X] Specification, Claim(s), and Abstract (21 pages).
- [X] Formal drawings (13 sheets, Figures 1-14).
- [X] Declaration and Power of Attorney (4 pages).
- [X] Assignment of the invention to HITACHI UNISIA AUTOMOTIVE, LTD.
- [X] Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet.
- [X] Information Disclosure Statement.

- ☒ Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of 4 listed reference(s).
- ☒ Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76).
- ☒ Claim for Convention Priority with 1 certified Japanese priority document.

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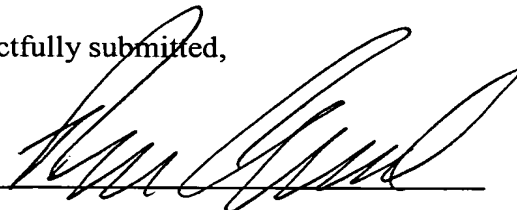
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